



ABH CAREER PATH (AW)



Aviation Boatswain's Mates – (Handler) play a major role in launching and recovering naval aircraft from land (Naval Air Stations) or ships (CVN/LHA/LHD). Duties include: supervising the movement, spotting and securing of aircraft and equipment ashore and afloat; performing crash rescue, fire fighting, crash removal, and damage control duties in connection with launching and recovery of aircraft.

YEARS OF SERVICE	CAREER MILESTONES	AVERAGE TIME TO PROMOTE	COMMISSIONING OR OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS	SEA/ShORE FLOW	TYPICAL CAREER PATH DEVELOPMENT
26-30	ABCM	23.7 Yrs	CMC	36	4 th Shore Tour Billet: LCPO/CMC/ Dept LCPO. Duty: Staff/School. Qualification: SEA.
23-26	ABCM ABHCS	23.7 Yrs 19.6	CMC, CWO	48	4 th Sea Tour Billet: Air Dept LCPO/Flight Deck/Hangar LCPO/Amphibious A/C Handling Off/Crash LCPO. Duty: CVN/LHA/LHD. Qualification: SEA.
20-23	ABCM ABHCS	23.7 Yrs 19.6	CMC, CWO	36	3 rd Shore Tour Billet: Instructor/Crash LCPO/ Operations LCPO/Terminal LCPO/Field Support LCPO. Duty: Staff/School/NAS. Qualification: JQR/PQS/MTS.
16-20	ABHCS ABHC	19.6 Yrs 15	MECP, STA-21, OCS, LDO,CWO, Recruiter, RDC, Drug and Alcohol Counselor, Brig Duty, NAVLEAD Instructor	48	3 rd Sea Tour Billet: Flight/Hangar/LCPO/CPO/ LPO/ALPO/Crash CPO/LPO. Duty: CVN/LHA/LHD. Qualification: Local JQR/PQS.
12-16	ABHC ABH1	15 Yrs 10.2		36	2 nd Shore Tour Billet: Instructor/ Crash (OLF) Site CPO/ LPO/ Transient Line CPO/LPO/ Terminal CPO/LPO. Duty: Staff/School/NAS. Qualification: JQR/PQS/MTS.
8-12	ABH1 ABH2	10.2 Yrs 5.5		60	2 nd Sea Tour Billet: Flight Deck Chief /Flight Deck LPO/FLY PO/Bay PO/Crash ALPO/WCS/A/C Director/Deck PO/Amphib Shooter/LSE Amphib. Duty: CVN/LHA/LHD. Qualification: Local JQR/PQS.



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5-8	ABH2 ABH3	5.5 Yrs 2.8	MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC, Recruiter, RDC, USS CONSTITUTION, Brig Duty	36	1 st Shore Tour Billet: Recruiting/ RDC/General Duty Crash Crewman (OLF)/Shore Based A/G/ Transient Line/Air Terminal. Duty: Staff/School/NAS. Qualification: JQR/PQS/MTS.
1-5	ABH2 ABH3	5.5 Yrs 2.8		55	1 st Sea Tour Billet: Flight Deck LPO/FLY PO/Bay PO/Crash ALPO/WCS/ A/C Director/Deck PO/Amphib Shooter/LSE Amphib. Duty: CVN/LHA/LHD. Qualification: Local JQR/PQS.
1+/-	ABHAN ABHAA Accession Training	9 Months			Recruit Training and all schools or training events required to be completed prior to reporting to their first operational command.